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## Outstanding Service Awards Presented to The People Concern's Malibu Outreach Team



**Alex Michel and Alex Gittinger Honored by the Westside Coalition on Dec. 14**

(Malibu, CA) – Alex Michel (center) and Alex Gittinger (right) of The People Concern’s Malibu Outreach Team were presented with the Westside Coalition’s Outstanding Service Award by Coalition Director Darci Niva (left) on December 14. This award recognizes the Team’s outstanding performance, dedication, and high standards of excellence in their outreach work with Malibu’s homeless residents, who are being linked by the Team to The People Concern’s wraparound services, and housing.

The People Concern’s Director of Interim Housing, Luther Richert – who works closely with “Alex and Alex” (as they are known locally) – lauded them not only for meeting or exceeding high expectations and achieving great results, but also for building trust and rapport throughout Malibu – among homeless individuals and many other members of the community.

**Background:**

The work of The People Concern’s Malibu Outreach Team is funded by the Malibu Task Force on Homelessness (MTFH), with generous support from the City of Malibu, Conrad N. Hilton Foundation, and many individuals, businesses, congregations, and associations.

According to its website, the Westside Coalition, which granted the Outstanding Service Awards to Ms. Michel and Mr. Gittinger, “is an alliance of 47 organizations, public agencies and faith communities committed to working collaboratively on issues of housing, hunger and health through service coordination, public education and advocacy.”

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